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#### INTRODUCTION

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) originated from the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 and is prepared annually to describe the ongoing transportation planning process for a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) is the most recent law establishing federal transportation policy and funding authorizations.

As the designated MPO for the Gainesville-Hall Area, the Gainesville-Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization (GHMPO) is responsible under Section 134 of Title 23, United States Code, for carrying out a "continuing, cooperative and comprehensive" (3-C) transportation planning process. The process uses three committees (Policy Committee – the decision making body, Technical Coordinating Committee – the staff, and Citizen's Advisory Committee – the public) to develop and carry out a comprehensive transportation planning process and to ensure that programs, improvements, and expenditures are consistent with regional goals, policies, and plans. Appendix A illustrates the organization and staff composition of GHMPO.

- The Policy Committee is the decision-making body and is represented by elected officials from the member jurisdictions and an official from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). The committee is responsible for taking into consideration the recommendations from the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) when adopting plans or setting policy.
- The Technical Coordinating Committee membership includes staff from the member jurisdictions, various federal, state, and local agencies and associations that have a technical knowledge of transportation or planning. The TCC evaluates transportation plans and projects based on whether or not they are technically warranted and financially feasible.
- The Citizens Advisory Committee consists of volunteer members who are interested in transportation issues. They are appointed by their member jurisdictions. The CAC is responsible for ensuring that values and interests of the citizens in Hall County are taken into consideration in the transportation planning process.

# **PARTICIPATING AGENCIES**

The following agencies have roles in the development, implementation, approval of, and/or funding of this UPWP:

# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) jointly approve the UPWP. These two federal agencies provide valuable input into the process leading to the development of this document.

FHWA develops regulations, policies, and guidelines to achieve safety, access, economic development, and other goals of FHWA programs, and provides federal financial resources, technical training, education, and assistance to state and local transportation agencies.

FTA provides financial assistance and oversees grants to state and local transit providers, primarily through its regional and metropolitan offices. FTA is responsible for ensuring that grantees follow federal mandates along with statutory and administrative requirements.

#### GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) serves as the liaison between the MPO, the state, and the USDOT. The MPO works cooperatively with GDOT on various transportation tasks, which include: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), and Travel Demand Modeling (TDM). GDOT is the recipient of federal planning funds and the MPO's are sub recipients of these funds. Therefore GDOT provides grant oversight of Federal Planning (PL) funds. GDOT also reviews and approves UPWP's and TIP's before requesting concurrency from FHWA and FTA.

## SCOPE AND DURATION OF THE UPWP

The Fiscal Year 2009 Unified Planning Work Program describes the organization's planning goals and activities, provides cost estimates for each activity, identifies funding sources, and outlines a work schedule for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. The document is organized into six major sections entitled:

Part I – Program Support and Administration

Part II - Public Involvement

Part III - Comprehensive Planning and Research

Part IV – Long Range Transportation and System Planning

Part V – Short Range Transportation and Project Planning

Part VI - Transit

The six sections of the UPWP include information on the parties responsible for carrying out the various planning activities. These activities are mostly geared towards the preparation and development of the LRTP with at least a 20-year horizon and a TIP which defines funded projects over six years. Public involvement is an integral part throughout the planning process.

# **PLANNING PROCESS**

The GHMPO planning process is complex due to the study area's proximity to the Atlanta metropolitan area, as well as Hall County's non-attainment status for two air quality standards. As shown in Appendix-A, the County-wide study area includes the Gainesville urbanized area (UZA) as well as a small portion of the metropolitan Atlanta urbanized area along its southern edge (approximately 2.7 percent of the County land area).

Hall County has been designated as part of a 20-County, 8-hour ozone non-attainment area as well as part of the 22 County Particulate Matter 2.5 nonattainment area. This requires conformance with the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality to secure federal transportation funding. The GHMPO actively coordinates with the Atlanta Regional Commission, which provides air quality modeling for the region, to ensure that there is not a lapse in meeting these requirements. Therefore, the area's transportation challenges must be met not only in the context of local constraints, such as funding, growth of congestion, but also within the constraints of regional air quality planning.

# **METROPOLITAN PLANNING FACTORS**

The transportation planning process must explicitly address eight planning factors identified by SAFETEA-LU (Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy For Users):

- 1. Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency;
- 2. Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;

- Increase the security of the surface transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users:
- 4. Increase the accessibility and mobility options available to people and for freight;
- Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, and improve quality of life:
- 6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;
- 7. Promote efficient system management and operation; and
- 8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system.

# **FUNDING**

The Gainesville Hall Transportation Study (GHTS) receives funding from two federal reimbursement programs, GDOT and Hall County. The FTA is the source of Section 5303 Program funds, which are primarily for transit planning. The FHWA is the source of Planning (PL) funds, which are to be used for providing local information to the Department of Transportation to ensure a continuing transportation planning process. Federal transportation PL funds represent 80% of funding and require a 20% match. The County provides 10% and GDOT provides 10%. State Planning and Research (SPR) funds are used for GDOT's planning efforts, which support the MPO process. GDOT provides the required 20% match for these funds.

#### **UPWP WORK ELEMENTS / TASK DESCRIPTIONS**

# 1.0 **Program Support and Administration**

# **Program Objective:**

To provide overall management of GHMPO's transportation planning program, and ensure compliance with applicable federal and state requirements. Support various transportation related committees and ensure communication among and between the committees. Manage the staff contributing to planning activities. Monitor consultant contracts performed as part of the MPO process.

# 1.1 <u>Study Coordination and Operations</u>

# **Program Objective:**

To coordinate and conduct the transportation planning activities of the MPO in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations and requirements.

#### **Previous Work:**

- 1. In FY 2008, the three GHTS committees met four times. Meeting minutes were prepared.
- 2. Quarterly reports, reimbursable forms, and an annual report were prepared and submitted to the GDOT Planning Office.
- 3. Attended ARC's TCC and TAQC meetings.
- 4. Attended Interagency Consultation meetings to discuss the two air quality standards for which Hall County is non-attainment.
- 5. Attended PM 2.5 Interagency and Senior Air Quality Partners meetings.
- 6. Attended various project specific meetings with GDOT, ARC, and other local agencies.
- 7. Reappointed members to the CAC.
- 8. Coordinated with GDOT Air Quality Branch on the call for projects under the CMAQ funding category.
- 9. Assisted local jurisdictions with the CMAQ program and the application process.
- 10. Participated in monthly conference calls on statewide transportation conformity.

#### **Activities:**

- 1. Provide opportunities for an open, inclusive process assuring continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative decision making with all jurisdictions in the GHMPO planning area.
- 2. Prepare proper study records for the development or progress and performance reports, certification, and reimbursement procedure.
- 3. Coordinate activities of the GHMPO committees, including arranging meetings and preparing meeting minutes.
- 4. Coordinate/participate with other resource agencies at both state and local level on various project specific and/or on-going activities.
- 5. Expand staff to meet workload and schedules of various ongoing activities. Provide travel reimbursements to final job candidates during interview process.

#### **Products:**

- 1. GHTS committee meetings and minutes.
- 2. Quarterly FY 2009 Reports and an Annual FY 2009 Report.
- 3. Accounting narratives and invoices.
- 4. Additional MPO staff member.

#### Lead Agency:

**GHMPO** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 90,006.23
GDOT	\$ 11,250.78
LOCAL	\$ 11,250.78
Total-PL	\$ 112,507.79

#### 1.2 Professional and Technical Education

# **Program Objective:**

To develop staff knowledge of transportation planning through relevant workshops and conferences.

#### **Previous Work:**

- 1. In relation to the MPO activities staff attended the following
  - a. 2007 Southern Transportation and Air Quality Summit
  - b. 2007 Fall GPA conference
  - c. 2007 GA MPO work session
  - d. 2007 Fall GA MPO Conference
  - e. 2008 Spring GPA conference
  - f. 2008 TRB Annual Meeting
  - g. Fundamentals of Title VI and Environmental Justice course
  - h. GDOT workshop on CMAQ program
  - i. Critical Analysis Reporting Environment (CARE) training session
  - j. Transportation Planning Capacity Building Program (MPO peer exchange program)

#### **Activities:**

 Staff may attend transportation-related conferences, seminars and courses including those offered by the NHI, EPA, EPD, FHWA, FTA, and GDOT.

#### **Products:**

Ongoing staff improvement and education.

#### Lead Agency:

**GHMPO** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 8,000.00
GDOT	\$ 1,000.00
LOCAL	\$ 1,000.00
Total-PL	\$ 10,000.00

# 1.3 Office Equipment and Supplies

# **Program Objective:**

To maintain computer systems used by the MPO for relevant transportation planning activities. Acquire software and hardware as necessary to maintain the MPO's transportation planning process. Purchase GIS software and application materials for system planning. Purchase necessary office equipment to operate the MPO.

# **Previous Work:**

- 1. File cabinets and office supplies were acquired.
- 2. An executive chair and two guest chairs were also acquired.

#### **Activities:**

- 1. Maintain computer systems and other office equipment used by the MPO in line of relevant transportation planning activities.
- 2. Upgrade computer hardware and obtain GIS workstation for new staff member.
- 3. Procure office furniture for new staff member.

#### **Products:**

1. Adequate technology and office equipment to operate the MPO.

# Lead Agency:

**GHMPO** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 4,800.00
GDOT	\$ 600.00
LOCAL	\$ 600.00
Total-PL	\$ 6,000.00

# 1.4 **UPWP**

# **Program Objective:**

To identify work tasks undertaken by the GHMPO to address metropolitan area transportation planning. Collect public and committee input on a proposed FY 2010 UPWP. Take into consideration MPO progress made on FY 2009 UPWP. Develop and draft final UPWP.

# **Previous Work:**

- 1. Development of FY 2009 UPWP and annual budget.
- 2. Program was reviewed and approved by committees.

#### **Activities:**

- 1. Identify priority transportation planning work tasks.
- 2. Prepare a descriptive narrative and cost estimate for each work task, coordinate input from other agencies, and prepare the FY 2010 UPWP.

#### **Products:**

FY 2010 UPWP.

# **Lead Agency:**

**GHMPO** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 4,800.00
GDOT	\$ 600.00
LOCAL	\$ 600.00
Total-PL	\$ 6,000.00

# 2.0 Public Involvement

# **Program Objective:**

To gain input from the general public in transportation planning; to comply with the federal and local public participation requirements; to provide opportunities for convenient public access to review and comment on the GHMPO planning and programming documents, and the data and processes leading to those documents.

#### 2.1 Community Outreach and Education

#### **Program Objective:**

To identify and involve stakeholders and traditionally underserved groups in the transportation planning process.

# **Previous Work:**

- 1. Maintained and updated GHMPO's website to provide opportunity for public comment and review on relevant MPO activities.
- 2. The 45-day public comment and review period for the 2030 LRTP and the 2008-2013 TIP was advertised in the local newspaper.
- 3. Integrated GHMPO Public Participation activities while developing transit sections in 2030 LRTP update and the FY 2009 UPWP for Hall Area Transit (HAT).
- 4. Expanded the database of community stakeholders for mail and electronic notification of transportation planning activities. The mailing list included local Spanish newspaper, *Mexico Lindo*; advocacy group, *El Puente* and radio station, *La Que Buena.*
- 5. Attended public information open houses sponsored by GDOT on current projects.
- 6. Incorporated several public participation activities for the TDP. See 6.0 Transit section for details.

#### **Activities:**

- Review, revise and update GHMPO Participation Plan as needed.
- 2. Provide opportunity for public comment and review on various GHMPO and HAT documents and activities.
- 3. Establish and maintain a record-keeping system that documents official actions of transportation planning processes and related public review.
- 4. Advertise the availability of draft documents for public review and comment.
- 5. Research potential procedures to evaluate the effects of development and transportation investments on communities including environmental justice issues. This is an ongoing activity.
- 6. Provide adequate notice of GHMPO activities as outlined in the Public Participation Plan.
- 7. Maintain and update the GHMPO web page.
- 8. Maintain and update database of community stakeholders for mail and electronic notification of transportation activities.

# **Products:**

1. Ongoing community outreach and education.

#### Lead Agency:

**GHMPO** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 9,600.00
GDOT	\$ 1,200.00
LOCAL	\$ 1,200.00
Total-PL	\$ 12,000.00

# 3.0 Comprehensive Planning and Research

# **Program Objective:**

Areas covered include appropriate database development and maintenance for transportation planning issues and activities leading to the LRTP and TIP.

# 3.1 <u>Data Collection and System Monitoring</u>

# **Program Objective:**

As needed for transportation planning efforts, use technical data – such as Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) and GIS mapping to provide important tools in the development of the TIP, LRTP and other MPO planning efforts.

#### **Previous Work:**

- Coordinated with GDOT modeling staff and the consultant developing final model runs for the 2030 LRTP update.
- 2. AADT along with project maps was included in project worksheets that were incorporated into the draft project list for the 2030 LRTP update and the adopted FY 2008-2013 TIP.
- 3. Integrated technical data and maps into all planning efforts to further most comprehensive information to the public and GHMPO committees.
- 4. Coordinated with ARC to develop a combined Air Quality Conformity Determination Report.

#### **Activities:**

- Prepare future year estimates for socio-economic and demographic data, as required.
- Develop and maintain databases on current population, employment, and land use in the MPO area.
- 3. Continue to use GIS as an analytical and data management tool in spatial work projects including LRTP updates and demographic studies.
- 4. Track land use and growth patterns of the GHMPO planning area and incorporate into the LRTP, and the TDM as needed.
- 5. As requested, attend meetings with local and regional agencies for data sharing regarding the Atlanta non-attainment area and planning data needs.
- Coordinate with GDOT and/or the Census Bureau to identify possible new GHMPO boundaries, review existing Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZ), revision or addition of new TAZs, and other activities related to development of 2010 Census.

#### **Products:**

- 1. Demographic projections and future land-use growth scenarios.
- 2. Travel demand model runs.
- 3. Relevant technical data and maps.

#### Lead Agency:

**GHMPO** and **GDOT** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 8,000.00
GDOT	\$ 1,000.00
LOCAL	\$ 1,000.00
Total-PL	\$ 10,000.00

# 4.0 Long Range Transportation and System Planning

# **Program Objective:**

The Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) provides the basis for transportation investment of regionally significant projects and programs within the planning area. The LRTP addresses various modes of transportation as well as the safety and security of the region's transportation system.

#### 4.1 <u>Long Range Transportation Plan</u>

# **Program Objective:**

To develop and review inputs for the eventual creation and adoption of a long-range, multi-modal LRTP for the GHMPO planning area. This is a continuing work element.

#### **Previous Work:**

- 1. As part of the 2030 LRTP update process, staff with assistance from the consultant developed the draft 2030 LRTP in accordance with SAFETEA-LU.
- Presented the draft 2030 LRTP to the GHMPO committees. Monitored SAFETEA-LU Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) process and relevant guidance documents.
- 3. Reviewed monthly status reports and invoices submitted by the consultant.
- 4. Coordinated with ARC in submitting the project list for inclusion in the 20-county air quality Conformity Determination Report (CDR).
- 5. Adopted SAFETEA-LU compliant 2030 LRTP on August 14, 2007.

#### **Activities:**

- 1. Amend 2030 LRTP as needed.
- 2. Continue evaluating development trends in land use and their impacts on the existing and planned transportation network.
- 3. Work towards next LRTP update on August 14, 2011.

#### **Products:**

Amended 2030 LRTP

#### Lead Agency:

**GHMPO** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 11,200.00
GDOT	\$ 1,400.00
LOCAL	\$ 1,400.00
Total-PL	\$ 14,000.00

# 5.0 Short Range Transportation and Project Planning

# **Program Objective:**

To undertake transportation planning activities that will lead to the development/implementation of the transportation improvement program and other related transportation studies.

# 5.1 <u>Transportation Improvement Program</u>

# **Program Objective:**

The development and adoption of a TIP with a four-year triennial element and two out-years for project programming. The TIP is a process for selecting and scheduling all federally funded and regionally significant projects in a manner consistent with the LRTP. The TIP is updated and amended as required.

#### **Previous Work:**

- 1. The current 2008-2013 TIP is SAFETEA-LU compliant and was adopted on August 14, 2007 and has been amended twice since then.
- 2. Attended Preconstruction Division Director's Project Status meetings at GDOT District 1.
- Coordinated with GDOT and local jurisdictions on project status and dollar amounts.

#### **Activities:**

- 1. Amend TIP as necessary.
- 2. Coordinate with GDOT to track and update project list and dollar amounts.
- Coordinate with ARC on projects included in the TIP as they progress while meeting air quality requirements.
- 4. Coordinate with GDOT and local jurisdictions and examine opportunities for transportation planning studies as needed.
- 5. Coordinate with HAT and prepare transit elements for the TIP.
- 6. Incorporate participation planning process in development of the TIP.

#### **Products:**

Amendments to FY 2008-2013 TIP.

# **Lead Agency:**

**GHMPO** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 8,000.00
GDOT	\$ 1,000.00
LOCAL	\$ 1,000.00
Total-PL	\$ 10,000.00

# 5.2 Major Transportation Studies

# **Program Objective:**

To integrate land use planning activities with transportation planning. To provide information and recommendations to member jurisdictions and other planning and design agencies.

#### **Previous Work:**

- 1. Developed scope of work on the Northern Connector study.
- 2. Met with Hall County on the proposed Northern Connector study.

#### **Activities:**

- Upon direction from Hall County, the Northern Connector study will be conducted.
- 2. Examine opportunities to coordinate with appropriate jurisdictions on transportation planning needs.
- 3. Continue partnership with GDOT on other relevant studies in the planning area.
- 4. The MPO may periodically be asked to conduct special studies, prepare reports for participants, other agencies, or the public or to analyze data not otherwise covered in the UPWP. Under this element the MPO will fund and/or negotiate with outside consultants or prepare in-house transportation or traffic studies, which may be needed.

#### **Products:**

Appropriate studies as requested.

# **Lead Agency:**

**GHMPO** 

Source	Amount
FHWA	\$ 65,600.00
GDOT	\$ 8,200.00
LOCAL	\$ 8,200.00
Total-PL	\$ 82,000.00

#### 6.0 Transit

# **Program Objective:**

To plan for an effective, convenient and accessible public transportation system.

# 6.1 <u>Hall Area Transit Programs and Projects</u>

# **Program Objective:**

To perform a public transit operation, administration, and conduct relevant transit studies. Research and analyze City of Gainesville and Hall County communities' transportation needs and provide recommendations on how to meet those needs.

#### **Previous Work:**

- 1. Held two public meetings on Transit Development Plan (TDP).
- 2. Held one outreach meeting and an outreach effort with non-English speaking residents.
- 3. Surveyed general public on transit needs via the GHMPO website and widely distributed paper surveys in various locations in the MPO area. The surveys were made available in both English and Spanish.
- 4. Attended the 2007 GTA conference.
- 5. Worked with the consultant on developing rider and major stakeholder surveys.
- 6. Managed the consultant who assisted in developing the TDP.
- 7. Presented draft TDP and relevant documents to committees.
- 8. Adopted the TDP on May 13, 2008.
- 9. Developed service plans pertaining to the new routes, including relocation of the transfer center, new timetables, and new operator runs and roster assignments.
- 10. Conducted a comprehensive origin and destination survey of commuter activity at exit 4 and exit 16 park-n-ride lots on I-985.

#### **Activities:**

- 1. Hire a consultant to conduct the Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP).
- 2. Coordinate with relevant agencies while developing the HSTP. Incorporate public and agency involvement techniques listed in the Participation Plan.
- 3. Manage the consultant who will assist with the HSTP.

#### Products:

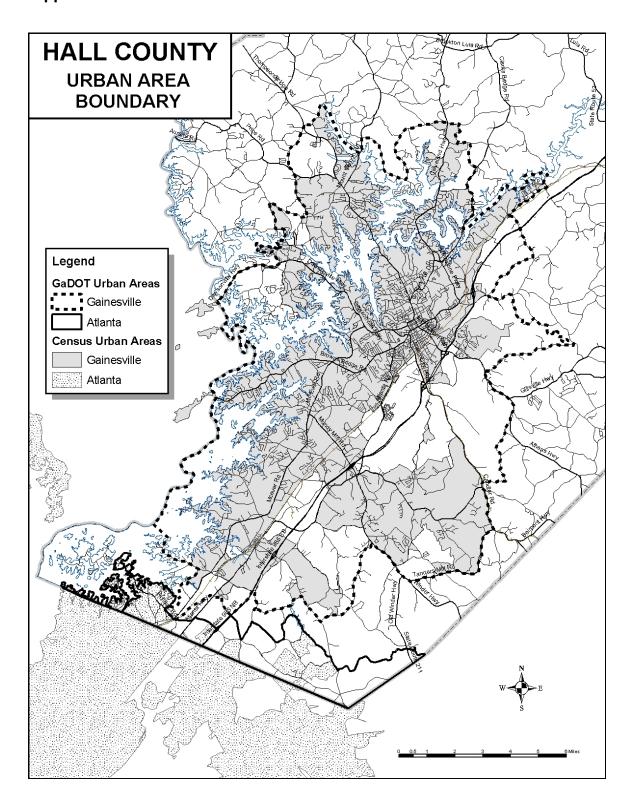
- 1. Service Plans
- 2. Human Services Transportation Plan

# Lead Agency:

GHMPO / Hall Area Transit

Source	Amount
FTA	\$ 48,595.00
GDOT	\$ 6,074.38
LOCAL	\$ 6,074.38
Total-5303	\$ 60,743.75

# Appendix A GAINESVILLE AND ATLANTA URBAN AREA BOUNDARIES



# Appendix B FUNDING SUMMARY

		PL Funds (\$)	(\$) sp			Section 530	Section 5303 Funds (\$)		
Work Elements	Budget Amount (100%)	FHWA (80%)	GDOT Match Local Match (10%)	Local Match (10%)	Budget Amount (100%)	FTA (80%)	GDOT Match (10%)	GDOT Match Local Match (10%) (10%)	Total Budget Amount (\$)
1.0 Program Support and Adminsitration	134,507.79	107,606.23	13,450.78	13,450.78	0000	0.00	00.0	0.00	134,507.79
1.1 Study Coordination and Operations	112,507.79	90,006.23	11,250.78	11,250.78	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:0	112,507.79
1.2 Professional and Technical Education	10,000.00	8,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:0	10,000.00
1.3 Office Equipment and Supplies	6,000.00	4,800.00	800.00	00:009	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	6,000.00
1.4 UPWP	6,000.00	4,800.00	800.00	00:009	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	6,000.00
2.0 Public Involvement	12,000.00	9,600.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	00.0	00'0	12,000.00
2.1 Community Outreach and Education	12,000.00	9,600.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	12,000.00
3.0 Comprehensive Planning and Research	10,000.00	8,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	00.00	10,000.00
3.1 Data Collection and System Monitoring	10,000.00	8,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	10,000.00
4.0 Long Range Transportation & System Planning	14,000.00	11,200.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00	0.00	00.00	00'0	14,000.00
4.1 Long Range Transportation Plan	14,000.00	11,200.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:0	14,000.00
5.0 Short Range Transportation & Project Planning	92,000.00	73,600.00	9,200.00	9,200.00	00.0	0.00	00.00	00'0	92,000.00
5.1 Transportation Improvement Program	10,000.00	8,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	10,000.00
5.2 Major Transportation Studies	82,000.00	65,600.00	8,200.00	8,200.00	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	82,000.00
6.0 Transit	00'0	0.00	0.00	0.00	60,743.75	48,595.00	6,074.38	6,074.38	60,743.75
6.1 Hall Area Transit Programs & Projects	00:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	60,743.75	48,595.00	6,074.38	6,074.38	60,743.75
Total Work Elements (\$)	97 707 696	240 006 23	26 250 78	26 250 78	60 743 75	48 595 00	6.07438	6 074 38	323 254 54

# Appendix C MAJOR WORK ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN FY 2008

- Coordinated with GDOT in developing final model runs for the GHMPO travel demand model.
   Completed several model runs as part of the 2030 LRTP update process.
- Developed and adopted SAFETEA-LU compliant 2030 LRTP and 2008-2013 TIP on August 14, 2007.
- Coordinated closely with ARC in developing a combined CDR for the Atlanta nonattainement area. The CDR was approved by USDOT in December 2007.
- Conducted two outreach and two public meetings as part of the TDP study. Incorporated public participation strategies listed in the Participation Plan.
- Developed and adopted the TDP on May 13, 2008. Coordinated with HAT and GDOT in the process.
- Developed service plans pertaining to the new routes, including relocation of the transfer center, new timetables, and other recommendations based on the TDP.
- Hired a Transportation Planning Intern in May 2008 to assist with ongoing GHMPO activities.
- Assisted local jurisdictions in submission of applications for the CMAQ program. Coordinated with GDOT in the process.

# Appendix D ACRONYMS

"3C" Continuing, Comprehensive, and Cooperative

**AADT** Average Annual Daily Traffic

AQ Air Quality

ARC Atlanta Regional Commission
CAC Citizen Advisory Committee
CDR Conformity Determination Report

**CMAQ** Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement

DOT Department of Transportation
EPA Environmental Protection Agency
EPD Environmental Protection Division
FHWA Federal Highway Administration
FTA Federal Transit Administration

FY Fiscal Year

**GDOT** Georgia Department of Transportation

**GHMPO** Gainesville-Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

GHTS Gainesville-Hall Transportation Study
GIS Geographic Information System

GMRDC Georgia Mountain Regional Development Center

GTA Georgia Transit Association

**HAT** Hall Area Transit

ITS Intelligent Transportation Systems
LRTP Long Range Transportation Plan
NHI National Highway Institute

NPRM Notice of Proposed Rule Making

PL Planning Funds RFP Request for Proposal

SAFETEA-LU Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy For Users

SIP State Implementation Plan

**SPR** State Planning and Research Funds

STIP Statewide Transportation Improvement Program

TCC Technical Coordinating Committee
TDM Transportation Demand Management
TRB Transportation Research Board
TDP Transit Development Plan

TIP Transportation Improvement Program
UPWP Unified Planning Work Program

**USDOT** United States Department of Transportation

**UZA** Urbanized Area